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OF THE

HOME FOR AGED COUPLES.

WALNUT AVENUE (Roxbury District),

BETWEEN SEAVER AND SCHOOL STREETS, OPP. FRANKLIN PARK,

BOSTON, MASS.,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1889.



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*Association organized January, 1883;
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Home opened at 431 Shawmut Avenue June 12, 1884. Removed to
Walnut Avenue May 1, 1887.

BOSTON:

PRESS OF GEO. H. ELLIS, 141 FRANKLIN STREET.

1890.

ACT OF INCORPORATION.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

IN THE YEAR ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND EIGHTY SIX.

AN ACT

TO CHANGE THE NAME OF THE NEW ENGLAND AID SOCIETY FOR
THE AGED AND FRIENDLESS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in General Court assembled, and by authority of the same, as follows:—

SECTION 1. The NEW ENGLAND AID SOCIETY FOR THE AGED AND FRIENDLESS, a Corporation established under the general laws of the Commonwealth, shall hereafter be known as the HOME FOR AGED COUPLES.

SECT. 2. This Act shall take effect upon its passage.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, March 15, 1886.

Passed to be enacted.

J. Q. A. BRACKETT, *Speaker.*

IN SENATE, March 17, 1886.

Passed to be enacted.

A. E. PILLSBURY, *President.*

March 18, 1886.—Approved.

GEORGE D. ROBINSON.

SECRETARY'S DEPARTMENT, BOSTON, May 12, 1886.

A true copy.

Witness the Seal of the Commonwealth.

HENRY J. COOLIDGE,

Deputy Secretary of the Commonwealth.

[SEAL.]

BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

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HENRY C. WHITCOMB, 181 Devonshire St.

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Auditor.

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E. A. CARLETON, M.D.

N.B.—None of the above officers receive compensation in any form for their services.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

PRESIDENT, CHAIRMAN EX OFFICIO.

Executive Committee.

Mrs. JONAS FITCH.	Mrs. J. H. FARRAR.
Mrs. NATHANIEL BROWN.	Mrs. HIRAM EMERY.
Mrs. J. S. NICKERSON.	Mrs. B. F. STURTEVANT.

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	Mrs. H. U. EWING.

Finance Committee.

Mrs. JONAS FITCH.	Mrs. M. F. DICKENSON.
Mrs. HIRAM EMERY.	Mrs. JOHN C. HAYNES.

Clothing Committee.

Mrs. A. D. MORSE.	Mrs. H. C. WHITCOMB.
Mrs. W. P. CLARK.	Mrs. J. W. WETHERELL.

Religious Service Committee.

Rev. C. D. BRADLEE, D.D., <i>Chaplain</i> ,	January.
Mrs. H. U. EWING,	February.
Mrs. M. F. DICKENSON,	March.
Mrs. JONAS FITCH,	April.
Mrs. H. C. WHITCOMB,	May.
E. A. CARLETON, M.D.,	June.
Mrs. W. P. CLARK,	September.
Mrs. J. W. WETHERELL,	October.
Mrs. JOHN FOSTER,	November.
Mrs. HIRAM EMERY,	December.

Clergymen of different denominations will preach every Sunday afternoon at the Home except in July and August. Friends and the public cordially invited.

Superintendent.

Miss JULIA FLETCHER.

ADMISSION.

Applications for admission to the Home may be made to the President, E. A. Carleton, M.D., 30 Union Park.

VISITING COMMITTEE.

1890.

EXTRACT FROM BY-LAWS.

"The Visiting Committee shall represent the different denominations on the Board of Trustees. This Committee shall enter the day and time of their visits, with such observations as they may deem useful, in a minute-book which shall be kept at the Home."

Mrs. WOODBRIDGE ODLIN,	30 Waverly St., Roxbury.
Miss C. B. CARLTON,	Kilton St., Dorchester.
Mrs. ANDREW M. PAUL,	Brookline St., Cambridgeport.
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Mrs. S. F. COPELAND,	331 Walnut Ave.
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Miss ISABEL J. NICKERSON,	380 W. 4th St., So. Boston.
Mrs. WINSLOW NICKERSON,	221 Warren St., Roxbury.
Mrs. F. H. JOHNSON,	11 Dana St., Cambridge.
Mrs. ALEXANDER STOWELL,	272 Newbury St.
Mrs. JOSHUA STETSON,	33 Marlboro St.
Mrs. JOHN W. JAMES,	37 Newbury St.
Mrs. SAMUEL N. BROWN,	119 Commonwealth Ave.
Mrs. ALEXANDER MOSELEY,	282 Commonwealth Ave.
Miss CARRIE E. FITCH,	30 Commonwealth Ave.
Mrs. B. F. WHITTEMORE,	150 W. Canton St.
Mrs. JOHN PORTEOUS,	176 Falmouth St.
Mrs. GEORGE H. YOUNG,	Columbia St., Dorchester.
Mrs. HELEN BROWN CROSBY,	120 Princeton St., E. Boston.
Miss EMMA L. PETERSON,	Maverick House, E. Boston.
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Mrs. LESTER LELAND,	165 West Canton St.
Mrs. HARVEY WAIT,	333 3d St., So. Boston.
Mrs. H. C. DIMOND,	Boylston St., Brookline.
Mrs. W. H. MASON,	Lexington, Mass.
Mrs. E. C. ANDERSON,	78 Chester Park.
Mrs. AUGUSTA CARLTON,	42 Greenville St., Roxbury.
Mrs. JOHN S. CORNING,	Hotel Edinburgh.
Mrs. JOHN L. WHITING,	16 Berwick Park.
Mrs. CHARLES A. THACHER,	4 Summer St., Dorchester.
Mrs. GEORGE W. ELLIS,	Tremont House.
Mrs. HIRAM HOUSTON,	11 Gleason Ave.
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Mrs. Dr. J. H. PAYNE,	74 Huntington Ave.
Mrs. T. W. BICKNELL,	Harvard St., Dorchester.
Mrs. C. W. TURNER,	316 Newbury St.
Mrs. GEORGE CHAMPLIN,	318 Newbury St.
Mrs. R. D. CUSHING,	Forest St., Cambridge.
Mrs. GEORGE CUSHING,	Frost St., Cambridge.
Mrs. M. A. MAYHEW,	14 Wellington St.
Mrs. F. K. KINGMAN,	Upham's Cor., Dorchester.

CORPORATION SEAL.

THE CORPORATION SEAL BEARS THE NAME OF THE CORPORATION,
THE YEAR AND DATE OF THE INCORPORATION, AND THE NAME OF
THE CITY IN WHICH IT IS LOCATED.

SIXTH ANNUAL REPORT.

FOR the sixth time it becomes the duty of the Trustees to present their yearly report to the Home for Aged Couples Corporation.

In rendering back the trust committed to their keeping year after year, they reverently record their deep and ever increasing sense of responsibility to God, and their gratitude to all who have contributed to the welfare of the Home, or who have in any way rendered service in its behalf.

The work of the Trustees has from necessity been aggressive as well as progressive. The Corporation having no invested funds, the carrying on of the work involves furnishing the means, responsibility of expenditure, the replenishing of the treasury, arousing public attention, creating an interest in the community, and awakening a healthy sentiment, which will call forth the energies of the churches and the good will of religious and benevolent people. We trust that the result of our efforts will be in evidence that we have guarded with jealous care the good name of the Home, and that we have neglected no opportunity to further its interests or to fill its treasury.

IN THE REVIEW OF THE YEAR

which has just closed, we sorrowfully express our deep sense of loss in the death of one of the active members of the Board, Mrs. J. G. Ingersoll. She was identified with the work from its beginning,— a

charter member of the Corporation and a stanch and true friend of the Home. No more fitting tribute could be placed upon her tombstone than "She died at her post."

THE HOME

has now been open five and a half years. Total number admitted, twenty-four; deaths, two. Two couples have been received during the year,—Mr. and Mrs. Chauncy Ward and Mr. and Mrs. Philo Sexton. Our family consists of twenty-two aged people, a superintendent, nurse, cook, laundress, and gardener.

The eldest of our family is in the ninetieth year of her age, and the youngest in her seventieth. The average age of our beneficiaries is seventy-eight years. The general health of the family, considering their age and infirmities, has been remarkably good. The death of the inmate referred to in the last Annual Report as "one being afflicted with an incurable disease" occurred April 26, 1889,—Mr. Francis M. Gay, aged eighty-four years. His sufferings were intense for many months, during which he submitted to several operations, and two amputations, for the removal of a cancer, to which his strong constitution finally yielded. His was the calm, heroic nature. The ills of life he bore with patient courage; and, when the summons came, it was as if an old friend had called to take him home. I rarely saw him that he did not express his gratitude for the blessings of the Home, frequently adding, "Our names will be handed down as the first inmates of the Home for Aged Couples."

SUNDAY SERVICES.

We claim on behalf of our charter to be religious and unsectarian: unsectarian in the sense that we have no rule as to the religious belief of our beneficiaries, and no effort is consciously made to give a bias in favor of any one denomination; religious, because we accept the Bible as the storehouse of all religious truth, and endeavor in our work to embody the spirit of its teachings. We invite clergymen of all denominations to take charge of our Sunday services, for the purpose of giving to our beneficiaries the pleasure and gratification of listening at stated intervals to clergymen from their own church. As all inmates are expected to attend (when able) divine service, courtesy soon deepens into respect for the convictions of others. Inasmuch as the watchword of every clergyman is the Bible, and as each from its divine lessons in prose and poetry, in precept, proverb, and parable, in statements of individual experience, the records of by-gone ages, the visions of seers and sages, in doctrine, narrative, and song, teaches that the Father in heaven loves his human children, the thought is accentuated that no denomination is alone in its efforts after living faith, personal purity, and true greatness.

Upwards of forty religious services have been held at the Home during the year. As all service is gratuitous, a feeling arises that in addition to words of gratitude we should add a word of sympathy for those clergymen who have denied themselves needed rest after services in their own places of worship to come to the Home. The following gentlemen have officiated: Rev. C. D. Bradlee, D.D., seven Sundays;

Rev. S. H. Hayes, Rev. F. Campbell, Rev. D. W. Kilburn, Rev. Dr. G. H. Young, Rev. Dr. Plumb, Rev. Dr. Little, Rev. Mr. Washburn, each two Sundays; and the Rev. Dr. Alden, Rev. Hiram Houston, Rev. Luther Farnham, Rev. W. H. Lyon, Rev. Dr. De Normandie, Rev. S. J. Barrows, Rev. Dr. Judson Smith, Rev. George L. Perin, Rev. Dr. Rexford, Rev. Mr. Patch, Rev. C. R. Tenney, Rev. S. Cummings, Rev. W. H. Templar, Rev. Mr. Tuttle, Mr. E. R. Reynolds, and Deacon Field and Deacon Sharpe, each one Sunday.

We are greatly indebted to those who have kindly taken charge of the musical portion of the services. Especially do we thank the choir from Rev. F. Campbell's church, the singers from the "I. H. N." Club of Rev. W. H. Lyon's church, the children from the "Little Wanderers' Home" on Newton Street, the singers from the choir of Egleston Square Methodist Church; also, Mr. and Mrs. Mayhew and daughter, Miss Adams, Mrs. Morse, Miss Brown, Mrs. Whittemore, Mrs. Stevenson, Mrs. Boyden, Miss Needham, Mrs. Ware and friend, Miss Leland, Miss Lawton, Miss Davis, Mrs. Thacher and friends, Mrs. Mendell, and Mrs. S. F. Copeland, who has been untiring in her efforts to make the musical service attractive and inspiring. As many of our aged ones are too feeble to go to their own church service in the winter season, holy communion was administered by Rev. Dr. Bradlee Dec. 1, 1889.

VISITORS.

It is gratifying to record that the visitors for the year have taken a great interest in the old people, and that they have been pleased with the appearance

of the Home and with the care of the inmates. We cannot refrain from making a few extracts from the "Visitors' Book," where the impressions of the "official visitors" are recorded, not for publication, but for the benefit of the Trustees. They so clearly bear testimony of genuine sympathy and interest that we take pleasure in incorporating them into our record of the year:—

"September 27.—This is my fourth and last (official) visit for the year to this beautiful 'Home for Aged Couples'; and I desire to say that, in trying to do the duty required of me, I have derived much pleasure in knowing that the old people have enjoyed my visits. To sit and converse with each of them, if only for a few minutes, tends to cheer and brighten their lives; and it surely has been a pleasure to me to see their pleasant faces beam with gratitude for little attentions shown them. I cannot recall a look of dissatisfaction or an unkind remark from any of them; but, on the contrary, all have seemed as contented and happy as one could possibly expect to find them, considering the advanced age of many of them and the many sorrows and troubles they have experienced. I have always found the Home in nice order; and a more comfortable one in every respect I think it would be hard to find."

Another visitor, under date of September 28, thus writes to the President: "I paid a visit to the Home this morning, and was charmed with the house and its situation. All whom I met seemed very cheerful and happy. May the Lord continue to bless the noble efforts to sustain this great work for Aged Couples!"

OUR AGED ONES

go out more or less, when able,—some for a day, others for a week or month or even longer. Visits to friends are encouraged, when friends extend an invitation. The change of scene, of diet, and of thought, is helpful and invigorating. We find, however, that after a short visit most of them are very much pleased to return to the Home.

Thanksgiving and Christmas brought the old-time cheer. The Home was remembered on both occasions by its old friends and some new. Mrs. Governor Ames, Mrs. Jonas Fitch, Mrs. John C. Haynes, and Rev. D. W. Waldron sent turkeys; Mr. George Henry Quincy, a box of oranges; Mrs. J. H. Farrar, a box of raisins and candy. Mrs. E. A. Carleton sent mince pies and ice cream; Mrs. Nathaniel Brown, ice cream. Mrs. S. F. Copeland sent mince pies and wine jelly. Mrs. H. C. Whitcomb and Mrs. B. F. Whittemore sent mince-pie meat. Mrs. Ames and Mrs. Thacher sent baskets of grapes; Mr. E. C. R. Walker, a quantity of nuts, raisins, and figs; Mrs. Ewing and Mrs. Franklin, oranges; Mrs. Jonas Fitch, a barrel of flour; Mr. H. P. Morrison, cheese; Mr. J. H. Farrar, smoking tobacco; Mr. William S. Bond, a quantity of tools; and Rev. C. D. Bradlee, \$10. Among those who contributed articles for the Christmas tree we may mention the "King's Daughters" of Ashby, Mrs. George W. Richardson, Rev. D. W. Waldron, Mrs. A. Hemenway, Mrs. J. S. Corning, Mrs. J. C. Haynes, Mrs. J. S. Nickerson, Miss Isabel Nickerson, Mrs. B. F. Sturtevant, Mrs. Nathaniel Brown, Mrs. J. W. Wetherell, Mrs. Jonas Fitch, and Mrs. Hiram Emery.

DONATIONS.

Among the donations of money received since the last annual meeting, when we received \$500, through Rev. C. D. Bradlee, from Miss Helen Bradlee, may be mentioned \$500 from Mr. J. L. Bremer through the late Mrs. J. G. Ingersoll, \$500 from Mrs. G. W. Richardson, \$150 from the Massachusetts Charitable Fire Society, \$111.45 from Knights Templars through Commander James M. Gleason, \$100 from Mrs. C. M. Barnard, \$40 from Mr. Joseph Glover and sister, \$25 from Mr. and Mrs. George O. Carpenter, \$25 from Mrs. Eliza A. Peck, and \$25 from Mr. John Goldthwait. Many others have given a like sum for life membership, which will be mentioned with all sums in the donations of cash to the Home.

MEETINGS.

From the well-kept records of the Secretary we find that twenty-five meetings have been held, at all of which the President has presided. Seventeen meetings have been held by the Trustees, and seven at which all members of the Corporation were invited to be present and participate. At none of these meetings except the public meeting held at Young's Hotel have there been in addition to the Trustees more than forty members of the Corporation, in response to several hundred invitations.

The meetings of the Board have usually been well attended,—so well that, when a member is absent, the remark is immediately made, "She must be ill." It is pleasant to add that harmony and good feeling have characterized all the deliberations of the Board.

The landmarks of the year are the Anniversary Festival, the public meeting held at Young's Hotel, and the Kettledrum and Bazaar.

ANNIVERSARY EXERCISES.

The fifth anniversary of the Home for Aged Couples was celebrated at the Home on Walnut Avenue, Roxbury, June 12, 1889. The event, always interesting in itself, was particularly so by reason of its being the day appointed for the dedication of the Playstead on Franklin Park, nearly opposite the Home. The well-shaded grounds of the Home, dotted with tables, covered with snow-white cloths and garlands and vases of flowers, and laden with choice edibles, was indeed an attractive sight. The Home was gayly decorated with American flags, and flowers everywhere. The exercises were formally opened at two o'clock by the President, Dr. Elizabeth Abbott Carleton. Rev. Dr. C. D. Bradlee offered prayer.

Rev. Dr. Jutton, of South Boston, referred to the helplessness of old age, and, in closing his eloquent remarks, congratulated the aged couples upon their good fortune in being surrounded with the delights of art and the beauties of nature, in a home of congeniality, a home of happiness, a Christ-like charity.

Rev. Mr. Lyon spoke in the same happy vein, and was followed by Rev. Dr. Plumb, who dwelt at some length on the good work accomplished.

Rev. Mr. Tuttle believed in the Home, and thanked the ladies for their efforts to make the old couples comfortable and happy during the remainder of their days.

Rev. Dr. George H. Young was as usual very happy in his remarks, as the hearty applause of the large audience testified.

Rev. Dr. Bradlee read an original poem; and then the President referred to the importance of increasing the accommodations of the Home, of the desirability of a new building, and of the idea of erecting memorial cottages, closing with the remark that, whatever style of building should be adopted, she hoped that it would be homelike, and not institutional in its architecture or appointments.

The Dorchester High School Battalion, under the command of Captains Phipps and Jenkins, were cordially received by the President, and shown through the building. Miss Mathilde Lennon complimented them by singing a charming solo, which they rapturously applauded. Their neat uniforms and soldierly bearing contributed not a little to the brightness of the occasion.

The band concert which attracted throngs of people was very enjoyable as the shades of evening gathered, and the piazzas and grounds were prettily illuminated by Chinese lanterns. Indeed, it was a charming scene of innocent gayety, with the young people walking and marching to the soul-stirring music of the band, and the old couples carefully protected from the dew by snowy wraps, sitting in the doorways or in some sheltered nook, quietly enjoying the music and the picturesque scene before them.

THE PUBLIC MEETING

in the interest of the Annual Fair was held, by the courtesy of Mr. Whipple, at Young's Hotel, Friday afternoon, November 8. The room was filled with

a crowded and interested audience. The chair was taken by the President at 3 P.M.

Rev. C. D. Bradlee, D.D., offered prayer. The speakers were Rev. Julius H. Ward (of the Episcopal Church), Rev. Dr. W. E. Griffis and Rev. Dr. Arthur Little (of the Congregational Church), and Rev. George L. Perin (of the Universalist Church). Their short but eloquent addresses showed in the most unmistakable manner how much interested they were in the success of the Fair and the Home. The meeting closed with a vote of thanks to Mr. Whipple for the use of his beautiful room and his continued kindness to us in behalf of the Home, and to the speakers for their interest in the work as evidenced by their fervid words so full of hope and encouragement.

The seventh Annual Fair opened with a Kettledrum in Horticultural Hall on Monday evening, November 18, and closed Saturday evening with the usual New England Supper.

The Kettledrum in the upper hall, under the management of the President and "dames," each of whom presided at her table and decorated it according to her individual taste, was a very elegant and successful affair, and reflected great credit upon the ladies, who spared no effort in making the banquet attractive. The tables, richly laden with silver,—some of great value,—and decorated with chrysanthemums, lilies, roses, and ferns, were indeed beautiful in an artistic sense. At six o'clock the great doors were thrown open, and a score of ushers stood ready to conduct the guests to the various tables, where smiling "dames" and genial "squires" sat ready to give the stately welcome, and a hundred "lovely daughters" to serve them.

The Salem Cadet Band played a lively march, and in a few moments every seat was filled. Hon. Stephen M. Allen lifted his hand for attention, and heads bowed as Rev. Mr. Mendell invoked the divine blessing. As it was impossible to serve all at one time, the Fair in the lower hall was crowded with waiting guests, who improved the time by selecting from the freshly opened goods the prettiest as well as the most costly articles. Those who waited in the balcony were charmed with the brilliancy of the scene, heightened by the effect of exquisite music. More than eleven hundred people were served from six to nine o'clock, and still there was enough and to spare; and so, after the splendor of the scene was over, and the banquet hall was nearly deserted save by the "Fragment Committee," a score of news-boys were admitted, and served plentifully with the sweets the little fellows love so well. With a polite "thank you" and "good night," they departed as silently as they came. The Kettledrum was at an end; and it was in every sense a gratifying success to the committee of fifteen ladies, who supplied the tables, managed the affair, and sold more than two-thirds of the tickets. The net proceeds were \$1,000 (from the sale of tickets).

The Fair continued throughout the week, closing with the "New England Supper." Among the invited guests who improved the opportunity of commemorating the "Saturday Night Supper" according to the fashion of our Puritan ancestors may be mentioned Mrs. Governor Ames and daughter, Hon. S. M. Allen, and several distinguished clergymen. The contributions to the Fair and Kettledrum were numerous and valuable, among which should be men-

tioned a fine upright piano presented through Mrs. W. P. Clark by the Emerson Piano Company.

The proceeds of the Fair were very gratifying to the ladies in charge of tables, and any report which did not accord them the meed of praise would indeed be incomplete.

During the year the Trustees have made extensive repairs upon the house and stable. In addition to rebuilding the piazza, new fences have been built, conductors, roofs, and water pipes have been repaired, and a dimly lighted store-room has been converted into a pleasant apartment for an aged couple by the introduction of a large Luthern window. All the buildings have been thoroughly and handsomely painted in the "old colonial style," adding much to the beauty and cheerfulness of the Home.

The Trustees have also purchased a burial-lot on Elmwood Avenue in Mt. Hope Cemetery. It is hoped that some kind friends will provide for its perpetual care, and also place a monument upon the lot, with an appropriate inscription.

The Home is in every way in a prosperous condition, but it needs funds immediately to increase its usefulness. Only twenty-two old people can be accommodated, and one hundred and twenty-two (sixty-two old couples) have asked to be admitted. Of that number, many have died, unable to bear the strain of poverty and the discomforts of their surroundings. Every year we call attention to the pressing need of a more commodious building; but still the dispensers of the riches of this world stand afar off, and the old people "die daily" through neglect and indifference. Will not some "faithful steward" give now? We need the sum of fifty thousand dollars at once, for the building fund.

TO OUR FRIENDS,

and members of the Corporation, to the Secretary for her well-kept records, to the Treasurer for his uniform kindness, to the Auditor for his kindly counsel, to the Chaplain who has so nobly seconded the efforts of the Religious Service Committee, to the clergymen who have so readily responded to this additional call upon Christian teaching and sympathy, to the press for whatever kindly word they have been pleased to say in behalf of the Home, we render our unqualified thanks.

To the Superintendent of the City Hospital, Dr. G. H. M. Rowe, to Dr. George W. Gay and Dr. Albion S. Whitmore, we are indeed grateful. Their generous kindness and consideration for the comfort and feelings of those who can make no return to them deserve more than kind mention.

We are also indebted to Dr. E. F. Dunbar and Dr. Broughton for gratuitous professional visits. The Trustees have cause for congratulation that they have been able to retain the services of their esteemed and faithful Superintendent, Miss Julia Fletcher. All who have regularly attended the monthly meetings as well as the visitors to the Home have been witnesses to her kind and considerate nature and to her faithfulness in all things. Again we have the pleasure of extending our thanks to M. Steinert & Sons for another year's use of their fine Steinway piano, and to Mr. Edward R. C. Walker for furnishing a memorial room. As Mr. Walker's kindness and gifts are continuous, we hardly know how to particularize them. We are indebted to many friends for valuable books and magazines, also to the publishers of the *Herald*

and *Globe*. The daily papers are a daily delight. We also express our gratitude to friends who have contributed money and presents to our aged couples and to those who have contributed money for rides. We specially thank Rev. D. W. Waldron, the Young Men's Christian Union, and Mrs. William Bliss, for car and carriage rides. We are also greatly indebted to J. M. & D. Williams for contributions of wine for the sick.

IN MEMORIAM.

In sorrow we record the names of twelve life members who have received the heavenly summons, and have suddenly passed from our midst: Mrs. David B. Flint, Mrs. Eliza Sutton, Mrs. S. Q. Cochrane, Mrs. Rebecca Vinton, Mr. Daniel H. Richards, Mrs. Harriette Walker, Mr. Warren B. Potter, Miss Anna J. O. Stevens, Mrs. John Shepard, Mrs. Ezra Farnsworth, Mrs. J. G. Ingersoll, and Mrs. Harry Wentworth.

Three annual members have also died during the year: Mrs. S. A. Stackpole, Mrs. Pickering Atwall, and Mr. J. G. Ingersoll. Our membership, according to the Secretary's report, is two hundred and seventy-five life members and two hundred and sixty-three annual members.

BEQUESTS.

Since the Home was opened, we have received bequests from Valeria G. Stone's estate, Pamela M. Beale's, Sophia P. Goldsmith's, and Mary L. Taylor's. We have also been mentioned in the wills of the following persons: Mrs. J. R. Vincent, Mrs. Sarah H. Kent, Mrs. Betsy Lang, Mr. W. T. Carlton, Miss

Rebecca Goddard, Mr. David Simonds, and Mr. Samuel E. Sawyer. We may reasonably hope that some time the Home will realize something from these estates.

REMARKS.

Our work in point of time is in its infancy; yet some of us have given, even if we reach the allotted age of man, one-tenth of our lives to the founding and the upbuilding of a Home which we believe will be wide-spreading in its influence and far-reaching in its benefits. The question naturally arises, Have the results justified the efforts? Let us look for one moment at the record. When the Home was opened in June, 1884, neither State nor charitable institution in Massachusetts provided for the maintenance of an aged couple as man and wife. No matter how worthy and respectable, if the aged couple were reduced to a state of dependence, neither public nor private charity recognized their claim or appeal for a home until they voluntarily surrendered their right to be considered one by the rite of marriage. We believe but few citizens can be found in this community to-day who would not feel shocked to hear of a worthy couple being separated for the better convenience of supporting them in homes established for women and in homes for men, as if poverty changed the nature of man and the order of things. As the years roll on, and the joys of life diminish, we see on every hand how much dearer old friends are than new, and we often note with moistened eye the dependence of the old couple upon each other for happiness. Nearly always together, they seem to think, talk, and even look alike. They have, as it were, become

welded together by the ties of affection. The tender solicitude for each other's comfort, the worry over slight ailments, the joy together over little pleasures, are but so many proofs of the suffering that would be inflicted by depriving them of each other's companionship. The establishment of the Home has been the spread of the doctrine that the rite of marriage is too sacred for old age and poverty to furnish a pretext for practically divorcing a helpless worthy couple for the sake of convenience in supporting them.

All labor, whether of hand or brain, unless performed under the influence of some grand underlying motive, becomes mere routine drudgery; and, although the letter of the law may be obeyed, it is devoid of the spirit of which enthusiasm is born. By this we know that the cause we advocate, the cause for which we make ever increasing effort, is a righteous one, and that all effort is in obedience to divine impulse.

In the spread of the work, the brotherhood of man and the sanctity of marriage are emphasized; and no effort that has been made, or that may be made in the future, shall be counted worthy to be compared with doing the Master's work,—in establishing in this most charitable of charitable cities the first Home in Massachusetts for Aged Couples.

ELIZABETH ABBOTT CARLETON,

President.

JAN. 7, 1890.

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HOME FOR AGED COUPLES IN ACCOUNT

To Payments for the year 1889 as follows:—

For Salary of Superintendent and wages of

household help and gardener, . . .	\$1,262.00
Groceries, provisions, water, and ice, . .	1,106.86
Fuel,	229.33
Gas,	125.76
Medicine,	37.74
Clothing,	27.39
Repairs and furnishings,	40.95
Car fares and carriage,	10.60
Postage,	1.30
Printing, advertising, and stationery, . .	42.16
Express,	35.70
Funeral and tomb expenses,	59.25
Newspaper delivery,	6.96
Garden seeds,	8.00
Labor of man and horse in garden, . . .	6.00
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Repairs on buildings,	\$537.16
Painting buildings,	329.20
Lot in Mt. Hope Cemetery, . .	300.00
Printing Annual Report, . .	138.15
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	1,304.51

Balance on deposit in New England Trust Company,

6,182.54

\$10,487.05

BOSTON, Jan. 1, 1890.

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By Receipts for the year 1889 as follows:—	
From Helen C. Bradlee, by C. D. Bradlee,	
D.D.,	\$500.00
John L. Bremer, by Mrs. J. G. Ingersoll,	500.00
Mass. Charitable Fire Society,	150.00
Knights Templars, by Commander J. M.	
Gleason,	111.45
Admission fees,	800.00
Anniversary Festival (net),	335.27
Annual Bazaar, as follows:—	
“Tables” (net),	3,178.96
“Kettledrum” (net),	1,000.00
Donations by President,	200.00
Mrs. George W. Richardson, for “Per-	
manent Fund,”	500.00
Life membership fees (including nine	
received from Bazaar),	425.00
Annual subscriptions and donations, .	407.00
Mrs. Isaac Sweetzer,	25.00
Joseph H. Center,	25.00
Sale of milk and vegetables and storage	
of carriages,	258.98
Interest on deposits,	58.34 8,475.00
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	\$10,487.05
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I have examined the foregoing account, and find it to be correct, with proper vouchers for disbursements, and the balance in the Treasurer's hands to be six thousand one hundred and eighty-two dollars and fifty-four cents.

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Potter, Mrs. Lucinda	1.00	Thorndike, Mrs. J. H. . . .	5.00
Pratt, Mrs. E. F. . . .	1.00	Tolman, Miss Emeline	1.00
Pratt, Miss Sarah	1.00	Tompson, Mrs. Samuel	1.00
Redman, Mrs. Mary J. . . .	5.00	Torrey, Mrs. Alexis	1.00
Redpath, Mrs. L. A. . . .	1.00	Torrey, Mr. Elbridge	10.00
Reed, Mrs. J. S. . . .	1.00	Townsend, Mrs. C. T. S. . . .	1.00
Rich, Mr. Abram	1.00	Tucker, Mrs. Daniel	2.00
Richards, Mrs. E. M. . . .	1.00	Turner, Mrs. C. W. . . .	1.00
Robinson, Mrs. A. B. . . .	1.00	Van Choate, Mrs. S. F. . . .	1.00
Robinson, Mrs. J. B. . . .	1.00	Van Duzee, Mrs. Ira D. . . .	1.00
Roundy, Mrs. Benjamin	6.00		
Rowe, Mrs. E. A. . . .	1.00	Wade, Mrs. A. F. . . .	1.00
Safford, Mrs. N. S. . . .	1.00	Wait, Mrs. Edwin	2.00
Savage, Rev. and Mrs. M. J. . . .	2.00	Waite, Mrs. Harvey	1.00
Sears, Mrs. Zenas	1.00	Walden, Miss Mary	1.00
Sheldon, Mrs. W. P. . . .	1.00	Walker, Mrs. S. A. . . .	1.00
Smart, Mrs. Wm. B. . . .	1.00	Walker, Mr. Thomas	1.00
Smith, Mr. Dana Z. . . .	1.00	Warren, Mr. H. W. . . .	1.00
Smith, Mrs. Jas. T. . . .	1.00	Wattles, Mrs. A. S. . . .	1.00
Smith, Mr. T. P. . . .	1.00	Wattles, Mrs. J. W. . . .	1.00
Sinclair, Miss Charlotte	1.00	Webster, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. . . .	2.00
Somers, Mrs. S. F. . . .	1.00	Wellington, Mrs. C. W. . . .	1.00
Southwick, Mrs. Anna L. . . .	1.00	Wentworth, Mrs. J. B. . . .	1.00
Southwick, Mrs. C. J. . . .	1.00	Wheeler, Mrs. Jas. M. . . .	1.00
Spaulding, Mrs. H. G. . . .	1.00	Whiting, Mrs. I. O. . . .	5.00
*Stackpole, Mrs. S. A. . . .	1.00	Whitney, Miss Abbie	1.00
States, Mrs. G. W. . . .	1.00	Whittemore, Mr. W. F. . . .	1.00
Stetson, Mrs. Warren	1.00	Wilder, Miss Grace	1.00
Storer, The Misses	4.00	Wilder, Miss J. R. . . .	1.00
Story, Mrs. Joseph	2.00	Winch, Mrs. G. F. . . .	1.00
Studley, Mrs. E. S. . . .	2.00	Winch, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. . . .	2.00
Sturtevant, Mrs. B. F. . . .	10.00	Winchester, Mrs. S. S. . . .	1.00
Sullivan, Mrs. John	1.00	Wilbor, Mrs. E. P. . . .	1.00
Taft, Mrs. W. F. . . .	1.00	Wilbor, Mrs. Nellie	1.00
Taylor, Mrs. A. H. . . .	1.00	Winkle, Miss Bessie	1.00
Thacher, Mrs. Chas. A. . . .	5.00	Winkle, Mrs. Frank	1.00
Thomas, Mrs. Chas. U. . . .	2.00	Woods, Miss Helen A. . . .	1.00
		Woods, Mrs. William	1.00
		Wright, Mrs. Isaac Hull	1.00
<i>Carried forward,</i>	<i>\$348.00</i>		<i>\$407.00</i>

LIFE MEMBERSHIP FEES.

Converse, Mrs. Elisha S. . . .	\$25.00	Tufts, Mrs. James W. . . .	\$25.00
Green, Mrs. George H. . . .	25.00	Walker, Mr. E. C. R. . . .	25.00
Lawrence, Mrs. Samuel C. . . .	25.00	Watson, Mrs. Lucretia D. . . .	25.00
Porteous, Mrs. John	25.00	Wentworth, Mrs. Harry	25.00
Pratt, Mrs. Joseph	25.00	Whitcomb, Mrs. H. C. . . .	50.00
Smith, Mr. James M. . . .	25.00	Whiting, Mr. John L. . . .	25.00
Stetson, Mrs. Joshua	25.00	Winthrop, Hon. Robert C. . . .	25.00
Stowell, Mrs. Alexander	25.00	Wood, Miss Carrie	25.00
			<i>\$425.00</i>

ANNIVERSARY FESTIVAL, JUNE 12, 1889.

Cash donations (through the President):—

Mr. and Mrs. George O. Carpenter,	\$25.00	Mrs. Dr. J. H. Payne,	\$2.00
Mr. Joseph D. Glover,	20.00	Mrs. M. Ellingwood,	2.00
The Misses Glover,	20.00	Mrs. George Cushing,	2.00
Mr. George Henry Quincy,	10.00	Mrs. J. D. Wilde,	2.00
Mrs. George W. Richardson,	10.00	Mrs. A. B. Currier,	2.00
Mrs. B. F. Sturtevant,	10.00	Mrs. J. Y. Baker,	2.00
Rev. C. D. Bradlee, D.D.,	10.00	Mrs. D. W. Kilburn,	1.00
Mrs. William Blunt,	10.00	Mrs. S. D. Matthews,	1.00
Mrs. Jonas Fitch,	5.00	Mrs. C. W. Noyes,	2.00
Mrs. S. A. Rollins,	5.00	Mrs. F. H. Johnson,	1.00
Mrs. Augusta Carlton,	5.00	Miss M. A. Phillips,	1.00
Mrs. Charles Thacher,	5.00	By cashiers:—	
Mrs. J. H. Farrar,	5.00	“Friend,” by Miss E. W. Bradlee,	10.00
Mrs. H. C. Whitcomb,	5.00	Mrs. Paul Curtis,	5.00
Miss Elizabeth Lord,	5.00	Mr. O. E. Chapman,	1.00
Mr. Joseph Sise,	5.00	Mr. George Forristall,	1.00
Col. J. W. Gelray, U.S.A.,	5.00	Refreshments (net receipts),	<u>138.27</u>
Mrs. Andrew Cassidy,	2.00		\$335.27

REPORT OF ANNUAL BAZAAR AND KETTLEDRUM.

HELD AT HORTICULTURAL HALL, NOVEMBER, 1889.

LADIES IN CHARGE OF TABLES, WITH AMOUNTS RECEIVED.

"Union Church Table."	Mrs. Perley Morse, Mrs. Hiram Emery, and committee, assisted by Mrs. John C. Haynes and Mrs. J. S. Corning,	\$355.53
"Bridgeport Table."	Mrs. George W. Richardson,	225.00
"Universalist Church Table."	Mrs. A. D. Morse, Mrs. J. W. Wetherell, Mrs. Matthew Cheney, Mrs. F. K. Kingman,	153.00
"Home Table."	Miss Julia Fletcher, Miss E. L. Peterson,	163.00
"Sunset Hill Table."	Mrs. C. D. Bradlee, Mrs. L. G. Parmelee, Mrs. S. D. Hurlburt, Miss F. J. Leland, Miss E. W. Bradlee, .	381.41
"South End and South Boston Table."	Mrs. J. S. Nickerson, Miss Belle Nickerson, Mrs. Nathaniel Brown, Mrs. J. H. Payne, . .	268.56
Mrs. F. H. Johnson's Table,	345.00
"Dorchester Table."	Mrs. George W. Blish, Mrs. Charles Collins, Mrs. D. Irving Blake, Miss Little, and Miss Orcutt,	224.11
"Medford and Roxbury Table."	Mrs. W. P. Clark, Mrs. James M. Smith, Mrs. Abiel Littlefield,	206.53
"Park Street Church Table."	Mrs. D. W. Kilburn, Mrs. A. M. Paul, Mrs. W. E. Murdock,	214.45
"Park Street Church Annex," Candy.	The Misses Pickens,	71.00
"Shawmut Church Table."	Mrs. M. F. Dickenson, Mrs. Charles H. Allen,	300.00
"The Pines."	Miss C. B. Carlton,	139.00
"Flower Table."	Mrs. H. U. Ewing,	60.00
"Toys."	Mrs. J. B. Hathaway,	20.45
Café and Admissions.	Committee, Mrs. Whitcomb, Mrs. Anderson, Mrs. Cundy, Mrs. Dow, Mrs. Mason, Mrs. Harlow, Mrs. Dimond, Mrs. Wellington, Mrs. Robinson, Mrs. Currier, Mrs. Plummer, Mrs. Hutchinson, Mrs. Badger, Mrs. Page, Mrs. Cushing, Miss Southwick, Mrs. Cushing; Cashiers, Mrs. Crosby, Mrs. Van Choate,	539.29
Amount received from tables,	\$3,666.33
Expenses of Bazaar,	487.37
		\$3,178.96

KETTLEDRUM.

The President, Mrs. Dr. Carleton, assisted by the following ladies, presided at the tables: Mrs. Hiram Emery, Mrs. W. P. Clark, Mrs. B. F. Sturtevant, Mrs. W. B. Knapp, Miss C. B. Carlton, Mrs. J. F. Hutchinson, Mrs. J. B. Hathaway, Mrs. George Champ-

Carried forward, \$3,178.96

<i>Brought forward,</i>	\$3,178.96
lin, Mrs. E. C. Anderson, Mrs. A. B. Currier, Mrs. R. Macmahon,	
Mrs. E. B. Wheeler, Mrs. Samuel Tompson, Mrs. J. S. Corning.	
Net proceeds of Kettledrum,	1,000.00
Donations, by President,	200.00
For Permanent Fund, by President,	500.00
For Life Membership Fund,	225.00
Total amount,	\$5,103.96

THE CASH DONATIONS

Received at the Bazaar and Kettledrum are gratefully acknowledged by the President and ladies having charge of tables, as follows:—

RECEIVED BY THE PRESIDENT (not included in table receipts).

From Mrs. George W. Richardson, for "Permanent Fund,"	\$500.00	Hon. Henry L. Pierce (by Mrs. Estey),	\$10.00
Mrs. Caroline M. Barnard,	100.00	Rev. D. W. Waldron,	5.00
Mr. John Goldthwait,	25.00	Rev. Alfred F. Washburn,	5.00
Mrs. Eliza A. Peck,	25.00	Friend (by Miss Peterson),	5.00
Mayor Hart,	10.00	Miss Lavinia Farnham (by Mrs. J. Fitch),	5.00
Col. Chas. H. Taylor,	10.00	Total,	\$700.00

The following sums are included in receipts from tables:—

Union Church Table:

Mrs. B. F. Jaquith,	\$5.00
Mrs. Small,	5.00
Mrs. Nehemiah Boynton,	3.00

Mrs. G. W. Richardson's Table:

Deacon Sterling, Bridgeport,	\$5.00
South Church, Bridgeport,	5.00

Universalist Church Table:

Mrs. Mary T. Goddard,	\$25.00
Mrs. E. B. Wheaton,	10.00
Mrs. J. M. Moses,	2.00
Mrs. A. M. Masury,	2.00
Mrs. Amos Snow,	1.00
Mrs. Henry Brown,	1.00

The Home Table:

Mrs. John W. James,	\$20.00
Mrs. H. C. Whitcomb,	6.00
Rev. J. B. Jutton,	2.00

Sunset Hill Table:

Miss Helen C. Bradlee (by Dr. Bradlee),	\$50.00
Mr. Dexter Babcock,	10.00
A friend (by Miss Bradlee),	20.00
A friend (by Miss Bradlee),	10.00
Mrs. J. K. Souther,	5.00
Miss Sarah A. Davis,	2.00
A friend,	1.00

Mrs. Howe, \$1.00

"The Pines," Miss C. B. Carlton: Mrs. Jonas Fitch, \$32.00

Shawmut Church Table:

Mr. Wm. Endicott, Jr.,	\$25.00
Mrs. M. F. Dickenson,	21.00
Mrs. H. D. Hyde,	10.00
Mrs. Daniel Ahl,	10.00
A friend,	10.00
Mr. M. W. Richardson,	10.00
Mr. A. L. Coolidge,	10.00
Mr. J. A. Felt,	5.00
Mr. Joel Goldthwait,	5.00
Mr. John W. Leighton,	5.00
Mr. S. T. Snow,	5.00
Mr. A. W. Beard,	5.00
Mr. Jas. H. Freeland,	5.00
Mr. Frances S. Allen,	5.00
Mrs. Wm. G. Benedict,	5.00

Flower Table:

Mrs. L. R. Read,	\$10.00
Mrs. Caleb Chase,	3.00

Mrs. F. H. Johnson's Table:

Mrs. B. Davenport,	\$10.00
Mr. J. M. Gleason,	10.00
Mr. C. C. Allen,	5.00
Mr. Morrill,	5.00
Mr. M. Munroe,	5.00

Mr. George Houstin,	\$5.00	Mr. J. D. Cook,	\$5.00
Mr. L. M. Averill,	5.00	Mr. Elbridge Torrey (by Mrs.	
Mr. S. P. Pollard,	5.00	John Foster),	10.00
Mr. Alfred Pocock,	5.00	Hon. H. L. Pierce (by Mrs.	
Mr. James Neal,	5.00	John Foster),	10.00
Mr. G. D. Emery,	5.00	Mr. J. Brooks Feno (by	
Mr. L. M. Harriman,	5.00	Mrs. John Foster),	10.00
Mr. Charles Fairbanks, . . .	5.00	Mrs. John Foster,	10.00
Mr. George M. Smith,	2.00	Friends (by Mrs. John Foster)	16.00
Mr. Charles H. Smith,	2.00		
Mr. A. Derdenger,	2.00		
Mr. William Greenleaf,	2.00		
Mr. McPherson,	5.00		
Mr. L. M. Luke and son, . . .	1.00		
Mr. John Gale,	1.00		
Mr. John Blackie,	1.00		
Mr. Hurd,	1.00		
Mr. S. Dole,	1.00		
A friend,50		
Col. J. D. Stevenson,	5.00		
Mr. Horace Litchfield,	5.00		
Mr. S. M. Hedges,	5.00		
Mr. John C. Haynes (by Mrs.			
Ida M. Brooks),	50.00		
Mr. John P. Spaulding (by			
Mrs. Ida M. Brooks), . . .	25.00		
Col. Hugh Cochrane (by			
Mrs. Ida M. Brooks), . . .	10.00		
<i>Mrs. Clark and Mrs. Smith's Table:</i>			
Miss Helen Porter,	\$5.00	Mr. Dr. Carleton,	\$25.00
Mrs. Jacob Forster,	6.00	John C. Paige (by Miss C. B.	
		Carleton),	15.00
		J. B. Kendall (by Mrs. Corn-	
		ing),	10.00
		J. S. Corning,	5.00
Mr. W. Cranz,	\$25.00	Mrs. J. S. Corning,	2.00
Mr. J. W. Field,	10.00		
<i>Dorchester Table:</i>			

The following ladies deserve special mention for their untiring efforts in disposing of tickets. Received from

Mrs. F. J. Hutchinson, . . .	\$205.00	Mrs. J. B. Hathaway,	\$126.00
Mrs. Hiram Emery (Union		Mrs. J. S. Corning,	110.00
Church Table),	130.00	Mrs. W. P. Clark,	60.00
Miss C. B. Carlton,	128.00		

THE EMERSON PIANO COMPANY'S SPLENDID GIFT.—Through Mrs. W. P. Clark, the Emerson Piano Company presented one of their *first-class* new upright pianos. The piano is for sale.

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THE CAFE.**

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L. E. Pierce, dining-tables.
 Harvey Blunt, china, glass, and silver ware.

Smith & Co., office furniture.
 B. A. Atkinson & Co., chairs.

The following ladies deserve great credit and special mention for their liberal contributions to the "Anniversary Festival," Kettledrum, and café:—

Mrs. John C. Haynes.
 B. F. Sturtevant.
 James M. Smith.
 J. S. Nickerson.
 George W. Richardson.
 Hiram Emery.
 Nathaniel Brown.
 W. B. Knapp.
 R. D. Cushing.
 A. D. Morse.
 S. F. Van Choate.
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 J. S. Corning.
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 Miss Southwick.
 Mrs. David McIntosh.
 Frank Bartley.
 George Champlin.
 B. F. Whittemore.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT
OF
DONATIONS TO THE HOME.

From January, 1889, to January, 1890.

—
JANUARY.

Mr. and Mrs. D. T. Mills, tea (twelve pounds).
Mrs. C. D. Bradlee, custard-cups (one dozen), worsted shawl, silk hood, four books, and one pair fur-lined shoes.
Miss E. W. Bradlee, twelve calendars.
J. D. & M. Williams, wines for the sick.
Mrs. S. S. Winchester, patchwork pieces.
Mrs. W. A. Couthouy, one pair foot-warmers.
Mrs. H. C. Whitcomb, one barrel of apples.
Mrs. Beals, half-barrel of apples.
Mrs. E. W. Edmunds, one jar of plums.
Mrs. A. W. Tufts, two quarts of ice cream.
Miss M. Heaton, one suit of clothes.
Ladies of Park Street Church, one pair of flannel and three linen shirts.
"A friend," basket of rolls.
Mrs. W. H. Clark, box of candy and pieces for mat.
Mrs. H. U. Ewing, one skein of yarn.

FEBRUARY.

Mrs. Thomas Amsden, one box of oranges.
Mrs. J. C. Haynes, patchwork pieces.
Mrs. J. W. Wetherell, bananas.
Mrs. W. P. Clark, two pairs of stockings, three bottles of cologne, patchwork pieces.
Mrs. T. F. Rhodes, two jars of fruit.
Mrs. H. C. Whitcomb, one jar of quince.
Mrs. Lester Leland, patchwork pieces.
Mrs. — Parker, one overcoat.
Mrs. S. F. Copeland, jelly and pamphlets.
Mr. E. C. R. Walker, oranges and jelly for Mr. Gay.

MARCH.

Mrs. A. W. Tufts, one dozen oatmeal saucers, one tureen.
Mrs. H. C. Whitcomb, hat for Mr. Blasland.

Mrs. M. F. Dickenson, pillow shams for Mrs. James, six neck-ties, four cuffs, twelve collars, box of buttons.

Sewing Society Unitarian Church, Brookline, patchwork puffs.

Mrs. A. D. Morse, oranges and newspapers.

Mrs. Isaac Staples, one large Bible.

Mrs. J. C. Haynes, oranges and *Harper's Magazines*.

Mrs. H. C. Whitcomb, mince-pie meat.

Mrs. C. F. Bray, illustrated London *News*.

Mrs. Johnson, magazines.

Mrs. S. F. Copeland, three cups of jelly.

Mr. E. C. R. Walker, oranges and apples for Mr. Gay.

Waters & Litchfield, "Boston Illustrated."

Mr. Henry Farnum, one barrel of apples.

Bequest of Mrs. Sarah Kent, one marble-top chamber-set, one mantel-bed, one easy-chair, three bedsteads, hair-mattress, three feather beds, six pair pillows, four bolsters, bed linen, table linen, blankets, bed-spreads, and one hand-mirror.

APRIL.

Mrs. J. C. Haynes, fifty pounds of sugar and thirty-six volumes "Seaside Library."

Mrs. A. D. Morse, four linen shirt-bosoms, black satin vest, pieces for mat.

Mr. J. H. Farrar, twenty packages smoking tobacco.

Mrs. J. S. Dickenson, ten yards of black cashmere, twelve yards of gingham, thread, sewing-silk, cambric, silesia, dress braid, and buttons.

Mrs. B. F. Sturtevant, box of flowers.

Mrs. S. F. Copeland, jelly for Mr. Gay.

Miss S. E. Hodges, art square and card-receiver.

Mrs. W. A. Couthouy, one dressing-gown.

Miss F. J. Kalley, patchwork pieces (twice).

Rev. D. W. Waldron, Easter cards.

Mrs. G. W. Richardson, Easter books.

Mrs. H. U. Ewing, Easter cards.

Mrs. S. Caldwell, clothing (worn).

Mrs. J. S. Nickerson, crêpe veil for Mrs. Gay.

Mr. B. Brown, one barrel of apples.

Mr. E. C. R. Walker, ten loads of stable manure, garden seeds, and pasturage for two cows during the season.

MAY.

Mrs. J. H. Farrar, eighteen yards of cotton cloth, roll of ribbons, cloth for aprons, twenty-six yards of calico, pieces of calico and cretonne.

Mrs. G. W. Richardson, six dozen oranges.

Mrs. J. W. Cartwright, one jar of jam.

Mrs. J. G. Ingersoll, clothing and housekeeping articles.

Boston Young Men's Christian Union, five carriage rides.

Mrs. Samuel N. Brown, two books.

Mrs. Alexander Moseley, one satin dress, one black silk skirt, three bonnets, one worsted afghan, woollen socks, two night-shirts, four pairs drawers, and pieces of velvet, satin, and ribbons.

Mrs. William Bliss, \$15 for rides.
 Mrs. Hiram Emery, two white dressing-sacks and strawberries.
 Mrs. H. A. McGlennen, quilting frames.
 Mrs. George W. Richardson, box of clothing.
 Mrs. Dr. Carleton, strawberries.
 Mr. W. D. Cotton, ten loads of stable manure.

JUNE.

Mrs. J. S. Corning, one dozen linen collars.
 Mrs. Nathaniel Brown, patchwork pieces.
 Mrs. A. D. Morse, silk pieces.
 Mrs. E. Clarke, cashmere samples.
 Mrs. Henry B. Janes, cashmere samples.
 Mrs. Charles Murphy, four hats.
 Mrs. H. U. Ewing, curtains for one room, overshoes, and hats.
 Mr. J. H. Alton, eight pounds of candy.
 Miss M. Emerson, flowers.
 Mrs. Merrill, clothing.
 Miss S. C. Hodges, two vases, two pitchers.
 Mrs. H. C. Whitcomb, one pair pillow slips.
 Mrs. —— Bliss, one suit of clothes.
 Mrs. J. A. Haworth, one can maple syrup.
 Mrs. J. R. Hill, clothing.
 Mrs. A. W. Hastings, clothing.
 Miss Julia Fletcher, oranges.
 Mrs. Charles A. Thacher, strawberries.
 Mrs. Babbitt, one quart of jelly.
 Mrs. J. W. Wetherell, collars and neck-ties.
 Mrs. —— Hook, reclining-chair.
 Mrs. A. A. Lord, one and one-half yards silesia for Mrs. Bean.
 "A friend," by Miss Bradlee, box salt fish.
 "Fresh-air Fund," two hundred car tickets.
 Mr. —— McNeil, two coats, two night-shirts, four vests, two pairs trousers or
 Mr. Ward.
 Mrs. Baldwin, one vest, one pair trousers, two night-shirts, two handkerchiefs,
 two pairs hose for Mr. Ward.
 Mrs. G. W. Richardson, one wrapper, one art square, one suit of clothes for
 Mr. Cutter, one bundle of pieces.
 Mr. E. C. R. Walker, for the "Harriette Walker Memorial Room," Brussels
 carpet, oak chamber-set (ten pieces), lounge, easy-chair, two window shades,
 one china toilet-set (seven pieces), one lamp for drop-light, one spring bed,
 one hair mattress, one pair of pillows, one bolster, and portrait of Mrs.
 Harriette Walker.
 Mrs. S. F. Copeland (same room), one bureau scarf, one splasher, one table cover.

JULY.

Rev. D. W. Waldron, ice cream and milk.
 Mrs. S. F. Copeland, wine jelly for the sick.
 "A friend," one bonnet, one shirt, two pairs trousers.

Miss Julia Fletcher, three dozen of tea-cakes.

Mrs. —— Parker, one hat, one linen coat, one pair trousers, one coat, three shirts (partly worn), flowers.

J. D. & M. Williams, one gallon of old port wine.

Mrs. Charles A. Thacher, two dozen of peaches.

Rev. D. W. Waldron, "Fresh-air Fund," fifty car tickets.

Miss Julia Fletcher, bananas and strawberries.

Mrs. J. C. Haynes, four summer vests.

AUGUST.

"Fresh-air Fund," three hundred tickets.

Mrs. W. H. Garfield, coffee and tea.

Rev. C. D. Bradlee, D.D., \$5 for screen-door to Bradlee Room.

SEPTEMBER.

Mr. J. H. Farrar, twenty packages tobacco.

Mrs. N. J. Bradlee, *Peterson's Magazine*, thirteen volumes.

Mrs. C. A. Thacher, one basket of peaches.

Mrs. George E. Hall, two dozen bananas, three Washington pies, sweet potatoes.

Mrs. H. Cone, pamphlets.

Mrs. George William Bond, coat and trousers.

Miss Julia Fletcher, one-half bushel of apples.

Mrs. W. P. Bolles, clothing.

Mrs. A. Carlton, \$5 for delicacies and \$1 to each of the twenty-two inmates.

Mrs. S. F. Tompson, two wrappers, two flannel shirts, eight corset covers, three night-dresses, night-caps, lace caps, handkerchiefs, undervests, drawers, needle-book, and magazines.

OCTOBER.

Mrs. C. A. Thacher, candy for each couple.

Mrs. George Young, one coat, two vests, one suit of clothes, four pairs drawers, ten shirts, five pairs stockings (partly worn).

Miss Borden, one night and one under-shirt, one pair flannel drawers.

Mr. E. C. R. Walker, one and a half bushels tomatoes.

"A friend," *Campbell's Magazine* (six volumes), four canes, and other articles.

Mrs. Frances James, two baskets of grapes.

Mrs. Warren Stetson, newspapers.

Mrs. A. H. Bryant, twenty-three books for library.

Mrs. G. G. Granger, pieces for patchwork.

Mrs. C. A. Thacher, one clock, one worsted cape, Scotch cap, two undervests, two pairs drawers.

Mrs. Anna Bliss, two shirts, three pair shoes, three neck-ties, two pairs suspenders.

Mrs. J. C. Haynes, one barrel of flour.

Mrs. —— Marble, four pairs trousers, two shirts, two under-shirts, one pair drawers, three pairs cuffs, neck-ties, linen coat, cotton hose.

Mrs. Frances James, basket of grapes.

Hon. Ezra Farnsworth, two silk hats, one cap, one dressing-gown, and overcoat for Mr. Wellington.

Mrs. C. M. Weld, nineteen books for library.
 Mrs. D. H. Follett, bundle of partly worn clothing.

NOVEMBER.

Mrs. M. F. Dickenson, one barrel of apples.
 Mrs. George E. Hall, six shirts, three linen bosoms.
 Mrs. H. U. Ewing, one barrel of apples.
 Mrs. Arthur Tufts, basket of cake.
 Mrs. Jonas Fitch, one barrel of flour.
 Nash & Spaulding, half-barrel of sugar.
 Mr. — Young, two pounds of butter.
 Mr. Jewett, one can of corn.
 Mrs. H. C. Whitcomb, meat for pies.
 Nickerson & Blodgett, one barrel of crockery.

Thanksgiving.

Rev. D. W. Waldron, three turkeys.
 Mrs. Oliver Ames, two turkeys, three baskets of grapes.
 Mrs. C. A. Thacher, one box of grapes.
 Mrs. Franklin, two dozen oranges.
 Mrs. H. U. Ewing, three dozen oranges.
 Mrs. J. H. Farrar, one box of raisins.
 Mr. E. C. R. Walker, nuts, raisins, and figs.
 Mr. George Henry Quincy, one box of oranges.
 Mr. S. F. Copeland, wine jelly for the sick.

DECEMBER.

Mrs. S. E. Hodges, three towels, crash, bread-knife and plate, vase, celery glass, china cup and saucer, waste-paper basket, brush-broom and case.
 Mrs. Anna Bliss, one pair of trousers, one pair under-shirts, two pairs drawers, hosiery, neck-ties, and collars.
 Mrs. J. C. Hodges, two pairs trousers, shirts, neck-ties, stockings, collars, and cuffs (partly worn), two and a half dozen oranges, and magazines.
 "A friend," silk mittens, three lace caps, cuffs, collars, ruching, ribbons, veil, neck-tie, fans, and other articles.
 Rev. Dr. Bradlee, thermometer on bronze plate.
 Mrs. B. F. Jaquith, suit of clothes, shoes, and hats.
 Mrs. Hiram Emery, dressing-gown (partly worn).
 Miss E. W. Bradlee, salt fish.
 Jones, McDuffee & Stratton, calendar.
 Mrs. A. M. Paul, print dress, bundle of underclothing and pieces.
 Mrs. S. F. Copeland, delicacies for the sick.
 Union Associates, one box of clothing.
 Mr. D. W. Cotton, one cord of stable dressing.

Christmas.

Mrs. Jonas Fitch, two turkeys and a box of useful presents.
 Mrs. J. C. Haynes, one turkey, celery, squash, and cranberries.
 Mrs. Dr. E. A. Carleton, four mince-pies and ice cream.
 Mrs. H. C. Whitcomb, sponge-cake, apples, eggs, and mince-pie meat.

Mrs. H. U. Ewing, candy and oranges.
Mrs. S. F. Copeland, six mince-pies.
Mrs. B. F. Whittemore, several jars of mince-pie meat.
Mrs. J. H. Farrar, candy.
Mr. J. H. Farrar, tobacco.
Mr. H. P. Morrison, cheese.
Mrs. Nathaniel Brown, ice cream.
Mr. H. C. Young, cheese.
Mrs. Charles A. Thacher, Christmas cards.
Mrs. George W. Richardson, Christmas cards.
Rev. D. W. Waldron, almanacs and cards.
Mrs. A. Hemenway, almanacs and cards.
Dr. E. A. Carleton, Christmas presents.
Mrs. Hiram Emery, three pairs of woollen hose.
Mrs. J. C. Haynes, gifts for Christmas tree.
Mrs. J. S. Nickerson, handkerchiefs and aprons.
Miss Belle Nickerson, handkerchiefs and neck-ties.
Mrs. B. F. Sturtevant, books.
Mrs. J. W. Wetherell, cologne and other presents.
Mrs. George Champlin, half-dozen collars.
Mr. W. S. Bond, one grindstone, vise, plane, handle of tools, and one shave.
Rev. C. D. Bradlee, D.D., \$10, Christmas remembrance.
"The King's Daughters" of Ashby, cloth for dress for Mrs. Bean, \$1.50 for
Mr. Bean.

LIST OF INMATES

Admitted to the Home for Aged Couples.

Total number admitted,	24
Present number in Home,	22
Deaths,	2

No.	Names.	Year of admission.	Age when admitted.	Remarks.
1	Francis M. Gay, . . .	1884	79	Died April 26, 1889.
2	Mary M. Gay,	1884	63	
3	Joseph Cutter,	1884	82	
4	Clara Cutter,	1884	74	
5	Charles H. Huntington,	1884	67	
6	Mary Jane Huntington,	1884	67	
7	John Q. A. Litchfield, .	1885	69	Died April 28, 1887.
8	Mary Davis Litchfield, .	1885	73	
9	Hiram Wellington, . .	1885	80	
10	Ann A. Wellington, . .	1885	85	
11	Rila Gilman,	1885	74	
12	Sarah A. Gilman, . .	1885	67	
13	Thomas P. James, . .	1887	74	
14	Mary B. James, . . .	1887	70	
15	William H. Bean, . .	1887	71	
16	Lucy Bean,	1887	67	
17	Joseph Borrowscale . .	1887	76	
18	Margaret Borrowscale, .	1887	69	
19	Joseph Blasland, . . .	1888	72	
20	Emily Leighton Blasland,	1888	74	
21	Chauncy Ward,	1889	86	
22	Caroline Ward,	1889	85	
23	Philo Sexton,	1889	79	
24	Lavira Sexton,	1889	71	

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS.

ARTICLE I.

CORPORATE NAME.

This Corporation shall be known by the name of the Home for Aged Couples.

ARTICLE II.

PURPOSES OF INCORPORATION.

The object and purpose of this Corporation shall be the establishment and support of non-sectarian Christian homes for the aged and needy.

ARTICLE III.

MEMBERS.

Every person subscribing annually one dollar and upwards shall, when elected by the Corporation, be deemed a member of the association during the continuance of such subscription.

Every person subscribing twenty-five dollars and upwards shall be, when legally elected, a life member; and, upon any legacy of five hundred dollars and upwards being paid to the Treasurer, the executors, who have administered, may be elected life members.

Every member subscribing one hundred dollars and upwards shall be deemed an honorary member.

ARTICLE IV.

OFFICERS.

The business of the Corporation shall be conducted by a Board of not less than twenty Trustees, members of the Corporation and a Board of Council consisting of twelve gentlemen appointed by the Trustees, representing the different religious denominations of the Trustees. The officers of the Corporation, under the name of Trustees, shall consist of a President, six Vice-Presidents, a Treasurer, a Clerk, and eleven other persons, all of whom shall

be chosen by ballot at each annual meeting, and shall hold their offices for one year, and until others are chosen and qualified in their stead. All other officers may be appointed and removed, and their duties defined by the Board of Trustees. Any vacancy in the Board of Trustees may be filled by the remaining members of the Board until the next annual election. Seven Trustees shall constitute a quorum.

ARTICLE V.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of the Corporation shall be held in the city of Boston on the second Tuesday in January of each year for the election of officers, and for any other business which may legally come before the meeting. Notice of said meeting shall be given in one or more daily papers published in Boston, for five days, at least, before said meeting.

Special meetings of the Corporation may be called by the President, and shall be so called, upon the written request of twenty members of the Corporation, stating the business to be transacted at said meeting.

Notices of all special meetings shall be mailed to each member of the Corporation by the Clerk, at least five days before said meeting, stating the time and place of said meeting and the business to be transacted thereat.

ARTICLE VI.

TRUSTEES.

The Trustees shall have control and management of the affairs and property of the Corporation, and shall cause a complete record of all their doings to be kept, which shall be laid before the Corporation whenever required; and, at every annual meeting of the Corporation, they shall render a full account, showing in detail the situation of the property and the financial affairs of the Corporation.

ARTICLE VII.

BOARD OF COUNCIL.

The Board of Council may organize with a chairman and Secretary, and choose from their number a committee, who shall visit the Home for Aged Couples as often as they shall direct, and report to the Trustees upon its condition as often as they shall deem it expedient. They shall advise in reference to applicants to the Home, and report to the Trustees names of those deemed worthy to become inmates. It is also the duty of this Board to render especial assistance in raising funds, and in every way to aid in promoting the success and usefulness of the Home.

ARTICLE VIII.

PRESIDENT.

The President shall preside at all the meetings of the Corporation and of the Trustees, appoint committees, and perform such other duties as are incidental to the office and required by law. In the absence of the President, the senior Vice-President shall preside.

ARTICLE IX.

SECRETARY AND CLERK.

The Secretary, who shall also be the Clerk of the Corporation, shall record all the votes of the Corporation in a book kept for that purpose, shall notify all meetings of the Corporation and Board of Trustees, shall record the proceedings of the same, and shall perform all other duties and services usually required of a clerk of the Corporation.

ARTICLE X.

TREASURER.

The Treasurer shall furnish bonds satisfactory to the Trustees, and shall then have the custody of all the funds of the Corporation; shall sign receipts and acknowledgments for all money or other property received; keep a full and correct account of the financial transactions; and disburse no money or property except by direction of the Board of Trustees or their committee duly authorized. At the annual meeting, the Treasurer shall render a full and detailed account of receipts and disbursements, with a statement of the property belonging to the Corporation, and shall at any time give such information in regard to the property of the Corporation as may be requested by the Trustees; also, perform all other duties and services appertaining to the office of treasurer of a corporation and required by the statutes of the Commonwealth.

ARTICLE XI.

AUDITOR.

The Auditor shall examine the accounts annually, and oftener, if necessary, and report at the annual meeting.

ARTICLE XII.

QUORUM FOR BUSINESS.

Fifteen members shall constitute a quorum at any meeting of the Corporation.

ARTICLE XIII.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF ADMISSION TO THE HOME FOR AGED COUPLES.

Any aged couple (man and wife) of not less than sixty years of age, and of good moral character, may be admitted into the Home on the payment of such sum as the Trustees may determine, and by signing an agreement to abide by the rules and regulations of the Home. Those holding property are required to secure the same to the Home before they are admitted; and, should they obtain any property after admission, it will also be necessary to convey it to the Corporation, if they remain in the Home. Each couple shall be received temporarily three months. After the expiration of said term, the Board of Trustees shall, as they may deem expedient, dismiss or confirm the applicants as permanent members of the Home. Persons not confirmed as permanent inmates of the Home shall be refunded the balance of the admission fee paid by them, after deducting three dollars per week for each person for the time they have remained in the Home as compensation for their board. The entrance fee paid by or for inmates may form a permanent fund, or be otherwise used as the Trustees may direct.

ARTICLE XIV.

These By-laws, or any part of them, may be altered, amended, or repealed at any annual or special meeting of the Corporation, legally called for that purpose, by a two-thirds vote of those present and voting at said meeting.

TRUSTEES' BY-LAWS.

ARTICLE I.

MEETINGS.

Meetings of the Trustees shall be held on the first Tuesday of each month, at such hour as they may determine. Seven members shall constitute a quorum for business.

ARTICLE II.

ORDER FOR BUSINESS.

The meetings of the Board shall be called to order within ten minutes of the hour named, and the order of business shall be as follows: 1. Prayer; 2. Calling of the Roll; 3. Reading the Minutes; 4. Report of Treasurer; 5. Report of each Committee shall then be presented, and thereafter any other business may come before the Board.

ARTICLE III.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

At the first meeting after the annual meeting, the following named Standing Committees shall be appointed; namely, an Executive Committee, a Committee on Admission, on Finance, on Religious Services, a Visiting Committee, and such other Committees as the Board may deem expedient. If from any cause either of said Committees shall not have been chosen at said meeting, it may be appointed at any subsequent one.

ARTICLE IV.

CHAIRMAN AND REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The first-named member on a Committee shall be chairman, and reports of Committees shall be submitted in writing, and be placed among the documents of the Corporation.

ARTICLE V.

ON MOTIONS.

Every motion, when made, shall be stated from the Chair; and, upon being seconded, the presiding officer shall ask if the mem-

bers are ready for the question, which being assented to, the vote shall be taken. No other business shall be taken up by the Board, or discussed by any of the members, until that which has been laid before them be decided or postponed. Any member making a motion shall, at the request of any other member, present the same in writing.

ARTICLE VI.

AMENDMENTS.

An amendment may be made to any motion, and shall be decided before the original motion. But, during the debate, no motion shall be received, unless it be to adjourn; to lay on the table; the previous question; to postpone either indefinitely or to a certain day; or to commit,—which motions shall take precedence in the order here named, except that a motion to adjourn shall always be in order.

ARTICLE VII.

ON RECONSIDERATION.

A motion to reconsider must be made by a member who voted with the majority; and, if the motion prevail, the subject is again open for debate on the original motion, the same as any other motion, and subject to the same rules.

ARTICLE VIII.

POSTPONEMENT.

At the desire of any member of the Board, who desires further time for reflection and examination, the decision of a new question shall be postponed to the meeting succeeding that at which it was proposed.

ARTICLE IX.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

The Executive Committee shall have the general charge of the affairs of the Home during the interval between the regular monthly meetings of the Board, and act in their behalf. Some one of them shall visit the Home at least once a week; shall make or authorize all purchases necessary for the Home; shall carefully examine and approve all bills for supplies and repairs before payment by the Treasurer; and shall keep a record of their proceedings, which shall be laid before the Board of Trustees at their monthly meeting.

ARTICLE X.

COMMITTEE ON ADMISSION.

The Committee on Admission shall visit or confer with applicants for admission, and inquire into their circumstances and char-

acter, and make a full report to the Board of all the material facts relating to each case. The Trustees shall then decide upon the admission of the applicants. It shall also be the duty of this Committee to keep a register, in which shall be entered the names of all applicants, their respective ages, place of birth and residence, persons by whom they are recommended, date of their application, the decision of the Trustees thereon, the time and terms of their admission, and such other facts as they may deem important; and they shall assign to inmates their rooms.

ARTICLE XI.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

The Finance Committee shall have the general charge and direction of all matters connected with the money, mortgages, and other securities belonging to the Corporation, and shall direct the Treasurer in the disposition of the same. They shall use all legitimate means to obtain the necessary funds to carry forward the work of the society, and shall make a full report to be read at the annual meeting.

ARTICLE XII.

COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS SERVICES.

The Committee on Religious Services shall, as far as practicable, supply the Home with preaching on Sundays. They shall make such regulations in regard to the same and to other religious services as they may deem proper and expedient. The duty of supplying the Home with the preaching of the gospel shall devolve upon this Committee. Ordained clergymen of all denominations will be cordially received. The other members of the Board will be required to communicate with this Committee and obtain their consent before introducing any one into the Home as a religious instructor. The Superintendent will act in their absence, under their direction.

ARTICLE XIII.

VISITING COMMITTEE.

The Visiting Committee shall represent the different denominations on the Board. They shall visit the Home not less than once a week; and it shall be their duty to see all the inmates in their several rooms, inquire into their spiritual and temporal welfare, giving such encouragement and advice as may be in their power and as the circumstances of each case may seem to require. This Committee shall enter the day and time of their visits, with such observations as they may deem useful, in a minute-book, which shall be kept at the Home; and, on the last day of their term of service, they shall notify the members who are to succeed them in visiting.

ARTICLE XIV.

SUPERINTENDENT.

The Superintendent of the Home, under the direction of the Executive Committee, shall have charge of the House, and shall strictly enforce the rules and regulations of the Trustees. Order, neatness, and good conduct must prevail in every part of the establishment. She shall be present at meals, see that they are properly served, that suitable food is carefully prepared for the sick, that proper order is observed at table, and a blessing asked before each meal.

She shall at all times maintain the respect due her station, and, by firm, kind, and judicious methods, endeavor to secure the comfort of each aged couple admitted to the Home established for their support and happiness. At each weekly meeting of the Executive Committee, the Superintendent shall present in writing a statement of the supplies required, with a report of the condition of the Home and the family, and such other matters as may be important.

The Superintendent shall keep a book in which shall be recorded a list of the furniture, linen, and other articles belonging to the Home, which shall be corrected and laid before the Corporation at its annual meeting.

All presents made to the Home shall be entered with the name of the donor in a book kept for the purpose by the Superintendent.

ARTICLE XV.

TERMS OF ADMISSION.

SECTION 1. Applicants must furnish satisfactory testimonials of character, and freely communicate all facts necessary to a proper understanding of each case.

SEC. 2. Persons under sixty years of age shall not be admitted, unless by vote of the whole Board of Trustees.

SEC. 3. Every couple shall be received on a probation of three months. After expiration of said term of three months, the Board of Trustees shall, as they deem expedient, extend the term of probation or dismiss or confirm the applicants as permanent inmates of the Home.

SEC. 4. Couples not confirmed as permanent inmates shall be refunded the balance of the admission fee paid by them, after deducting three dollars per week for each person for the time they have remained in the Home, as compensation for board.

SEC. 5. The Board of Trustees may, by vote, admit inmates on such terms as the pecuniary condition of the Corporation or the circumstances of any particular case may seem to demand. Unless otherwise ordered by the Board of Trustees, four hundred

dollars, and the furniture of a room, including a good bedstead, bed, bedding, and other necessaries, shall be furnished before any one is admitted temporarily or permanently.

In no case, however, will a proposition to pay this or any other sum be considered, by itself, as conferring a right upon the person making it to send a couple to the Home temporarily or permanently, the society intending to reserve to itself in all cases the exclusive right to admit or reject persons who desire to become inmates.

SEC. 6. Furniture and other articles brought into the Home by or for permanent inmates are to remain for the benefit of the Home.

SEC. 7. Inmates who have property must secure the same to the Corporation before admission; and, in case of their obtaining money or other property after their admission, it will be necessary to make it over to the Corporation, if they continue as inmates of the Home.

SEC. 8. No insane or idiotic person shall be admitted into the Home. Any inmates, after their admission into the Home, who shall become so diseased in mind as seriously to interfere with the comfort and health of the other residents, upon the advice of the physicians to the Home, shall be returned to their friends or removed to some suitable institution. The Corporation shall not be held liable for the support of such person or persons after their removal from the Home.

SEC. 9. Should any couple desire to leave *after being admitted as permanent inmates*, the entrance fee which they have paid, or which has been paid for them, will not be returned; but, should any other property have been made over to the Corporation by them, the said property or the amount of the proceeds of the same shall be paid to them, after deducting a reasonable amount for their support while in the Home. But, after once leaving, they cannot return as inmates, unless by a vote of the Trustees.

SEC. 10. The Trustees in all cases reserve the right to dismiss and expel from the Home any inmates who shall violate the rules, or whom from any other cause they may deem not to be proper objects of this charity. Notice of the intention to dismiss and expel inmates shall be given in the call for the meeting when such action is to be taken.

ARTICLE XVI.

AMENDMENTS.

These By-laws may be altered or amended at any legal meeting of the Trustees, provided that, in the notices calling said meeting, it shall have been stated that an alteration or amendment is to be made.

. HOUSE RULES.

1. The entire care of the house shall be in charge of the Superintendent, under the direction of the Executive Committee.
2. The Superintendent shall strictly enforce the rules and regulations for the Home, thereby securing the comfort and happiness of the residents or inmates.
3. Residents will be required to conform to the rules and regulations, and to treat each other with becoming respect, and by acts of kindness and forbearance make a cheerful home.
4. Every inmate, except in case of illness, is expected to attend all religious services.
5. A general table will be provided, at which all who are able will be expected to attend punctually, and endeavor by order and pleasant conversation to make such occasions agreeable to each other and to the Superintendent. Breakfast at eight o'clock; Dinner at one o'clock; Supper at six o'clock.
6. The Superintendent will preside at the table, and ask a blessing before each meal.
7. Those confined to their rooms will be furnished with diet under the direction of the Superintendent.
8. Washing and ironing shall, if practicable, be done on Mondays and Tuesdays.
9. All that is necessary for the comfortable support of the inmates of the Home will be provided by the Corporation. No inmate, therefore, will be permitted to solicit assistance for any purpose, unless duly authorized by the Executive Committee.
10. Inmates who are able will be expected to render services for the Home, at the discretion of the Superintendent.
11. No intoxicating drinks or strong stimulants shall be used in the house, except by order of the physician in charge.
12. No tobacco smoking will be allowed in any part of the house above the basement.
13. Inmates will not be permitted to enter the kitchen, store-rooms, or other offices of the house, unless by consent of the Superintendent.
14. Interference with assistants or servants will not be permitted; but, if any person have cause for complaint, they may state their grievance at once to the Superintendent, who will report it to the Committee.

15. The assistants and servants will be required to treat all residents of the house with kindness and respect, to be courteous to all visitors, and strictly to comply with the rules of the house.

16. No inmate or person employed in the house will be permitted to be out after ten o'clock P.M., unless by permit or order of the Superintendent.

17. Inmates will be expected to retire to their rooms at nine o'clock P.M., and to extinguish their lights by ten o'clock.

18. When inmates desire to visit their friends, they shall inform the Superintendent of the time and place of their intended visit, and the probable length of time they will be absent, in order that no uneasiness may be felt on their account, and that, in case of illness or accident, the Superintendent may know where they are to be found.

19. The friends of inmates and the public generally may visit the house on Wednesdays and Saturdays of each week, between the hours of two and five o'clock P.M.

Friends and relatives are permitted to call on business on any day of the week except Sundays; but inmates cannot receive callers in their own rooms except on the visiting days named, unless by special permit from the Superintendent.

20. A certificate, certifying that the mental and physical condition of applicants is such as to entitle him or her to the benefit of the Home, will be required from one of the attending physicians before the couple will be admitted. All cases of illness will be treated by the physicians of the Home.

21. These rules may be altered or amended at any meeting of the Trustees.

HOME FOR AGED COUPLES.

INCORPORATED 1884.

FORM OF BOND.

WE, the undersigned, having been received as beneficiaries and inmates of the Home for Aged Couples, a corporation established by law, do hereby agree to the rules and regulations adopted by the Board of Trustees; and, in consideration of the care and attention of the Trustees and of said Corporation, we do hereby each and jointly make over to the Corporation all such personal property as we have brought or shall bring to the Home for our use, to the end that the quiet and comfort of the house may not be disturbed in the event of our removal or death, but that all our effects may remain for the use of our successors. And whereas we have been reduced, in the course of Divine Providence, to a state of dependence, but may hereafter be the possessors of property, so as to be able to retire from this Home, and possibly to become contributors to it, we and each of us do further hereby appoint the President of the said Corporation, for the time being, our Attorney and Trustee, to receive for us respectively, and to sell and dispose of all estates, real or personal, of every description, to which we shall hereafter or may be now entitled; and we do hereby assign the said estates and empower the said President and her successors in office accordingly, to the end that the Corporation may be reimbursed for the support and supplies that shall have been furnished to us respectively, as far as such estates may extend, and the balance to be accounted for by said President to us or our legal representatives. In case we do not remove from the Home, then any property, real or personal, which we may in any way become the possessors of, we hereby convey to the Corporation of the Home for Aged Couples, for its sole use and behoof forever.

WITNESS our hands and seals this, the _____ day of
in the year one thousand eight hundred and

Signed, sealed, and delivered in the presence of

ACT OF INCORPORATION.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

IN THE YEAR ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-SIX.

AN ACT

TO CHANGE THE NAME OF THE NEW ENGLAND AID SOCIETY FOR
THE AGED AND FRIENDLESS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in General Court assembled, and by authority of the same, as follows:—

SECTION 1. The NEW ENGLAND AID SOCIETY FOR THE AGED AND FRIENDLESS, a Corporation established under the general laws of the Commonwealth, shall hereafter be known as the HOME FOR AGED COUPLES.

SECT. 2. This Act shall take effect upon its passage.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, March 15, 1886.

Passed to be enacted.

J. Q. A. BRACKETT, *Speaker.*

IN SENATE, March 17, 1886.

Passed to be enacted.

A. E. PILLSBURY, *President.*

March 18, 1886.—Approved.

GEORGE D. ROBINSON.

SECRETARY'S DEPARTMENT, BOSTON, May 12, 1886.

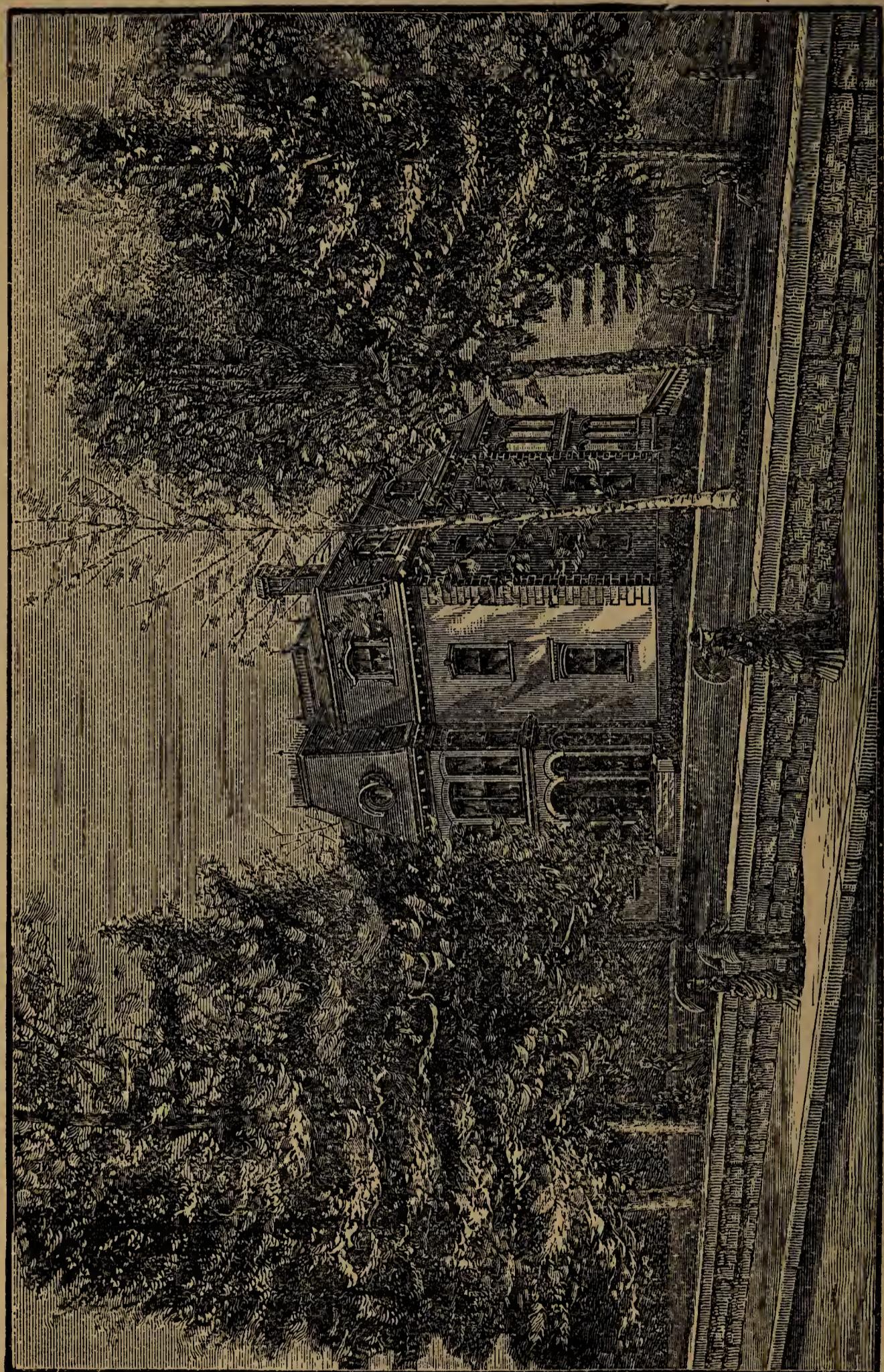
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Witness the Seal of the Commonwealth.

HENRY J. COOLIDGE,
[SEAL.] *Deputy Secretary of the Commonwealth.*

FORM OF BEQUEST.

I give and bequeath to the Home for Aged Couples, in the city of Boston, Mass., the sum of dollars, to be applied to the uses and purposes of the Corporation under its direction. And I hereby direct my executor to pay said sum to the Treasurer of the Corporation months after my decease. The receipt of the Treasurer shall be a sufficient discharge to my executor for the same.



HOME FOR AGED COUPLES, WALNUT AVENUE.